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Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

It is hereby requested that the period for responding to the outstanding Office Action dated September 21, 2001 be extended through the date of filing of this Petition, fee payment, and accompanying Response.

The petition fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17) for a large entity is believed to be \$110.00 for a one-month extension. Fee payment is provided by our accompanying check. However, if extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 other than that provided herewith are required to prevent abandonment of the present patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 03-3975

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